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SUBJECT: Pazmey Corporation
Griffith, Indiana
Lake County

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LAKE CO. HEALTH DEPT.
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The Pazmey Corporation is a drum reclamation business located directly south of American Chemical Services in Griffith, Indiana. I became aware of this company through a complaint from a Griffith City Councilman early in 1983. The Councilman alleged that the company was dumping hazardous waste in small trenches around the outside of the wash building. After several unsuccessful attempts to inspect this facility, I was able to gain entry on August 9, 1983. I met with Mr. Scott Pazdro, Pazmey Corporation owner, who indicated that the facility was allowing run-off of a caustic rinse material. Our office ordered Mr. Pazdro to submit an explanation of the steps taken to cease discharging to the soil. Our office has not received the written explanation. Mr. Pazdro has assured this office that he does not discharge any material to the surface. We have continued to receive complaints from the City officials, county health department staff, and concerned citizens. As of March 14, 1984, when I last visited the Pazmey facility, there are indications of material being placed on the soil. I observed what appeared to be solid bottoms from 55-gallon containers placed on the soil behind the wash building. The building also has "For Sale" signs placed in the front windows.

I would appreciate any assistance you might be able to provide in regards to the activities of this company. Please be aware that the owner, Mr. Pazdro, can be very difficult to deal with. The facility is guarded by Doberman pinschers also.

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bcc: Mr. Nick Doffin ✓